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**CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION (CPA)  
REQUEST TRANSMITTAL**Submit an original, and a duplicate for fee processing.  
(Only for Continuation or Divisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(d))CHECK BOX, if applicable:  
[ ] DUPLICATEAddress to: **Commissioner for Patents**  
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**Washington, D. C. 20231**Attorney Docket No. of Prior Application 42390.P5358First Named Inventor WoodruffExaminer Name Rita ZiemerGroup Art Unit 2184Express Mail Label No. EL 617209562 US

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This is a request for a ☒ continuation or ☐ divisional under 37 CFR 1.53(d)(continuation prosecution application (CPA)) of prior application No: 09/116,310filed on **July 15, 1998**, entitled **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PERFORMING FIELD DIAGNOSTICS ON A COMPUTER SYSTEM.**

If the Patent and Trademark Office determines that this request under 37 CFR 1.53(d) is improper, the Office is requested to treat this CPA as a request for continued examination of the above identified application under 37 CFR 1.114.

**NOTES****FILING QUALIFICATIONS:** The prior application identified above must be a nonprovisional application that is either: (1) complete as defined by 37 CFR 1.51(b), or (2) the national stage of an international application in compliance with 35 U.S.C. 371. Effective May 29, 2000, a CPA may only be filed in a utility or a plant application if the prior nonprovisional application was filed before May 29, 2000. A CPA may be filed in a design application regardless of the filing date of the prior application. See "Request for Continued Examination Practice changes to and Provisional Application practice," Final rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. office (Apr. 11, 2000).**C-I-P NOT PERMITTED:** A continuation-in-part application cannot be filed as a CPA under 37 CFR 1.53(d), but must be filed under 37 CFR 1.53(b).**EXPRESS ABANDONMENT OF PRIOR APPLICATION:** The filing of this CPA is a request to expressly abandon the prior application as of the filing date of the request for a CPA. 37 CFR 1.53(b) must be used to file a continuation, ~~divisional~~ or continuation-in-part of an application that is not to be abandoned.**ACCESS TO PRIOR APPLICATION:** The filing of this CPA will be construed to include a waiver of confidentiality by the applicant under 35 U.S.C. 122 to the extent that any member of the public who is entitled under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.14 to access to, copies of, or information concerning, the prior application may be given similar access to, copies of, or similar information concerning, the other application or applications in the file jacket.**35 U.S.C. 120 STATEMENT:** In a CPA, no reference to the prior application is needed in the first sentence of the specification and none should be submitted. If a sentence referencing the prior application is submitted, it will not be entered. A request for a CPA is the specific reference required by 35 U.S.C. 120 and to every application assigned the application number identified in such request, 37 CFR 1.78(a).**WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.**

1. x Enter the unentered amendment previously filed on July 30, 2001 under 37 CFR §1.116 in the prior nonprovisional application.
2. X A preliminary amendment is enclosed (9 pages).
3.      This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application, 37 CFR 1.53(d)(4).
  - a. **DELETE** the following inventor(s) named in the prior nonprovisional application:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
  - b. The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a separate sheet attached hereto.
4.      A new power of attorney or authorization of agent (PTO/SB/81) is enclosed.
5.      Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is enclosed:
  - a.      PTO - 1449
  - b.      Copies of IDS Citations

**CLAIMS**

(1) FOR	(2) NUMBER FILED	(3) NUMBER EXTRA	(4) RATE	(5) CALCULATIONS
Total Claims (37 CFR 1.16(c) or (j))	5 - 20* =	0	X \$ _____ =	\$ _____ 0
Independent Claims (37 CFR 1.16(b) or (j))	5 - 3** =	2	X \$ _____ 80 =	\$160.00
Multiple Dependent Claims (if applicable) (37 CFR 1.16(d))			+ \$ _____ =	\$ _____
			BASIC FEE (37 CFR 1.16(a))	\$ 710.00
Total of above Calculations				= \$ 870.00
Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (Note 37 CFR 1.27).				\$ _____
TOTAL =				\$ 870.00

\* Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent.

\*\* Reissue independent claims over original patent.

6. ☐ Small entity status: Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
7. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge deficiencies or credit overpayments to Deposit Account No. 2-2666.
- a. ☐ Fees required under 37 CFR 1.16.
- b. ☐ Fees required under 37 CFR 1.17.
- c. ☐ Fees required under 37 CFR 1.18.
8. ☒ A check in the amount of \$870.00 is enclosed.
9. ☐ Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.
10. ☐ Applicant requests suspension of action under 37 CFR 1.103(b) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months (not to exceed 3 months) and the fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) is enclosed.
11. ☐ New Attorney Docket Number, if desired \_\_\_\_\_  
(Prior application Attorney Docket Number will carryover to this CPA unless a new Attorney Docket Number has been provided herein.)
12. a. ☐ Receipt for Facsimile Transmitted CPA (PTO/SB/29A)
- b. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (Should be specially itemized, See MPEP 503)
13. ☐ **Request and Certification Under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent. (Reminder: First investigate foreign filing question).**
14. ☒ Other: Petition For Extension of Time (1 page + duplicate), check in the amount of \$390.00.
15. ☒ Fee Transmittal (2 pages + duplicate).

**NOTE:** The prior application's correspondence address will carry over to this CPA UNLESS a new correspondence address is provided below.

**14. NEW CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS**

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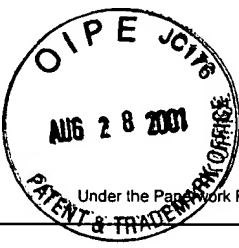
**15. SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED**

NAME John P. Ward SIGNATURE [Signature]

REGISTRATION NO. 40,216 DATE August 28, 2001

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## FEE TRANSMITTAL FOR FY 2001

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT \$1,260.00

Complete if Known:

Application No. 09/116,310

Filing Date August 28, 2001 (parent filed July 15, 1998)

First Named Inventor Woodruff

Group Art Unit 2184

Examiner Name Rita Ziemer

Attorney Docket No. 42390.P5358

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### METHOD OF PAYMENT (check one)

1. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies or credit any over payments to:

Deposit Account Number 2-2666

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- ☒ Charge Any Additional Fee Required Under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17

- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

2. ☒ Payment Enclosed: ☒ Check  
☐ Credit Card  
☐ Money Order  
☐ Other

### FEE CALCULATION

#### 1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description	Fee Paid
Code	Fee (\$)	Code	Fee (\$)		
101	710	201	355	Utility application filing fee	710.00
106	320	206	160	Design application filing fee	
107	490	207	245	Plant filing fee	
108	710	208	355	Reissue filing fee	
114	150	214	75	Provisional application filing fee	

SUBTOTAL (1) \$ 710.00

#### 2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

		Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
Total Claims	5	- 20** =	X	=
Independent Claims	5	- 3** = 2	X 80	= \$160.00
Multiple Dependent				=

\*\*Or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see below.

Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description
Code	Fee (\$)	Code	Fee (\$)	
103	18	203	9	Claims in excess of 20
102	80	202	40	Independent claims in excess of 3
104	270	204	135	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
109	80	209	40	**Reissue independent claims over original patent
110	18	210	9	**Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

SUBTOTAL (2) \$ 870.00

FEE CALCULATION (continued)

### 3. ADDITIONAL FEES

<u>Large Entity</u>		<u>Small Entity</u>		<u>Fee Description</u>	<u>Fee Paid</u>
<u>Fee Code</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fee Code</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>		
105	130	205	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
127	50	227	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
139	130	139	130	Non-English specification	
147	2,520	147	2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
112	920*	112	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
113	1,840*	113	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
115	110	215	55	Extension for reply within first month	
116	390	216	195	Extension for reply within second month	\$390.00
117	890	217	445	Extension for reply within third month	
118	1,390	218	695	Extension for reply within fourth month	
128	1,890	228	945	Extension for reply within fifth month	
119	310	219	155	Notice of Appeal	
120	310	220	155	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121	270	221	135	Request for oral hearing	
138	1,510	138	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140	110	240	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141	1,240	241	620	Petition to revive - unintentional	
142	1,240	242	620	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143	440	243	220	Design issue fee	
144	600	244	300	Plant issue fee	
122	130	122	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
123	50	123	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
126	180	126	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
581	40	581	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
146	710	246	355	For filing a submission after final rejection (see 37 CFR 1.129(a))	
149	710	249	355	For each additional invention to be examined (see 37 CFR 1.129(b))	
179	710	279	355	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
169	900	169	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	
195	300	195	300	Publication fee for early, voluntary, or normal publication	
196	300	196	300	Publication fee for republication	
194	130	194	130	Request for voluntary publication or republication	
098	130	098	130	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i)	
091	1,240	091	1,240	Acceptance of unintentionally delayed claim for priority	

Other fee (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

Other fee (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

**SUBTOTAL (3) \$ 1,260.00**

\*Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid

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